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For: HANDLING METHOD OF BODY FLUID SAMPLE AND ANALYSIS
APPARATUS USING THE SAME

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 24, 2004,
please amend the above-identified application as follows.
A Petition and fee for a one-month Extension of Time also
accompany this response.